

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Nancy Ballance, on February 13, 2017 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)
Rep. Randy Brodehl, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kelly McCarthy, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Dan Bartel (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Jon A. Knokey (R)
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch
Sherri Row, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 126, 2/7/2017; HB 187, 2/7/2017; HB 257, 2/7/2017
Executive Action: HB 22; HB 61; HB 137; HB 147; HB 175; HB 196; HB 198

00:01:42 Chair Ballance

HEARING ON HB 126

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:57 Rep. Ray Shaw (R), HD 71, opened the hearing on HB 126, Generally revise the Montana pesticides act.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:16 Libbi Lovshin, Montana Department of Agriculture (MDA)
00:03:58 Rep. Lynch joined the meeting
00:06:45 Rep. Jones joined the meeting
00:07:37 Rep. Dudik joined the meeting
00:07:48 Rep. Hopkins joined the meeting
00:10:27 Eric Bryson, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
00:11:08 Krista Lee Evans, Montana Agriculture Business Alliance (MABA)
00:12:08 Jay Boder, Montana Stockgrowers Association (MSGA)
00:12:52 Chelcie Cargill, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)
00:13:39 Levi Ostberg, Montana Farmers Union (MFU)
00:14:37 Pam Converse, Montana Weed Control Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:16:11 Rep. Shaw

HEARING ON HB 187

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:16:50 Rep. Jim Hamilton (D), HD 61, opened the hearing on HB 187, Establish an angel investor/venture capital tax credit.

EXHIBIT(aph31a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:32:13 Bridger Mahlum, Montana Chamber of Commerce
00:32:51 Rep. Holmlund joined the meeting
00:33:47 Riley Johnson, National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB)
00:34:46 Steve Turkiewicz, Montana Bankers Association (MBA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:35:48 Rep. Tschida
00:37:10 Rep. Hamilton

00:37:39 Vice Chair Brodehl
00:40:37 Rep. Hamilton
00:41:24 Rep. Knokey
00:43:52 Rep. Hamilton
00:44:22 Rep. Knokey
00:45:20 Chair Ballance
00:46:37 Rep. Hamilton
00:46:42 Rep. Keane joined the meeting
00:46:47 Chair Ballance
00:47:02 Rep. Hamilton
00:47:39 Chair Ballance
00:48:15 Rep. Hamilton

Closing by Sponsor:

00:48:54 Rep. Hamilton

HEARING ON HB 257

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:50:43 Rep. Ellie Hill Smith (D), HD 90, opened the hearing on HB 257, Consider housing needs in Montana State Hospital discharge plans.

[EXHIBIT\(aph31a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph31a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph31a04\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:59:02 Matt Kuntz, National Alliance on Mental Illness - Montana (NAMI)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:01:35 Zoe Barnard, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:02:50 Rep. Patelis
01:03:12 Rep. Hill Smith
01:03:27 Rep. Tschida
01:03:52 Rep. Hill Smith
01:04:28 Zoe Barnard, DPHHS
01:05:06 Chair Ballance
01:05:42 Zoe Barnard, DPHHS
01:06:11 Rep. Tschida
01:06:24 Zoe Barnard, DPHHS
01:07:26 Rep. Dudik
01:07:42 Rep. Hill Smith
01:08:14 Rep. Dudik
01:08:24 Chair Ballance
01:08:35 Rep. Dudik
01:08:59 Rep. Hill Smith
01:09:16 Chair Ballance

01:12:45 Zoe Barnard, DPHHS

Closing by Sponsor:

01:12:57 Rep. Hill Smith

01:14:03 Chair Ballance

01:14:56 Recessed

03:11:40 Reconvened - with Vice Chair McCarthy and Rep. Burnett excused

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 22

03:12:30 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 22 DO PASS**.

03:12:40 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Keane moved that **HB 22 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Rep. Burnett and Rep. McCarthy voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(aph31a05)

03:14:53 **Vote:** Motion carried 21-1 by voice vote with Rep. Burnett voting no. Rep. Burnett and Rep. McCarthy voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 61

03:15:51 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 61 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Burnett and Rep. McCarthy voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 137

03:16:32 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 137 DO PASS**. Motion failed 9-13 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Ellis, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. Lynch, Rep. McCarthy, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Ryan and Rep. Woods voting aye. Rep. Burnett and Rep. McCarthy voted by proxy.

03:18:50 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Dudik made a substitute motion that **HB 137 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Burnett and Rep. McCarthy voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 147

03:20:12 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 147 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Burnett and Rep. McCarthy voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 175

03:20:48 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 175 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Burnett and Rep. McCarthy voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 196

03:21:25 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 196 DO PASS.**

03:21:38 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glimm made a substitute motion that **HB 196 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried 21-1 by voice vote with Rep. Hamlett voting no. Rep. Burnett and Rep. McCarthy voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 198

03:22:27 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 198 DO PASS.**

03:23:22 **Motion:** Rep. Lynch moved that **HB 198 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(aph31a06)

Discussion:

03:23:28 Rep. Glimm
 03:24:34 Joe Triem, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
 03:24:57 Rep. Glimm
 03:26:10 Rep. Lynch
 03:27:10 Rep. Glimm
 03:27:21 Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
 03:27:51 Rep. Cook
 03:29:13 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
 03:29:28 Rep. Keane
 03:29:46 Rep. Bartel
 03:31:11 Rep. Dudik
 03:31:27 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
 03:31:32 Rep. Dudik
 03:31:47 Rep. Cuffe
 03:31:58 Rep. Cook
 03:32:15 Rep. Bartel
 03:33:00 Rep. Lynch
 03:33:36 Rep. Hamlett
 03:34:07 Chair Ballance

03:34:37 Without objection, Rep. Lynch withdrew the **BE AMENDED** motion.

03:35:05 Chair Ballance
 03:35:16 Rep. Glimm

03:35:21 Without objection, Rep. Brodehl withdrew the **DO PASS** motion.

Committee Business:

03:36:10 Chair Ballance
 03:36:16 Rep. Ellis
 03:36:30 Chair Ballance
 03:37:00 Rep. Cook
 03:37:05 Chair Ballance
 03:37:32 Rep. Dudik

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 03:38:41

Sherri Row, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph31aad.pdf](#))